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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR MPAT TEMPEST EXPRESS-17 IN NEPAL, AUGUST  
28 TO SEPTEMBER 04, 2009

¶1. This is an action request. See para three.

¶2. The following candidates have been selected for participation in the MPAT Tempest Express -17 in Nepal, which will begin on August 28, 2009. Post vetting was completed on August 11, 2009. Post requests that vetting be completed by August 21, 2009 to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidates:

¶1. Name: Md Mahfuz Alam  
Rank: Lieutenant Colonel  
Unit: 18 Engineers Battalion  
Unit Location: Chittagong  
Personal Number: BA - 3746  
Date of Birth: 25 November 1959  
Place of Birth: Naogaon, Bangladesh

¶2. Name: Sohel Uddin Pathan  
Rank: Major  
Unit: Army Headquarters  
Unit Location: Dhaka  
Personal Number: BA-5201  
Date of Birth: 02 August 1975  
Place of Birth: B Baria, Bangladesh

¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."

¶4. Post contact is Sydnee Hall, unclass e-mail: hallsh2@state.gov.

¶5. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate these individuals or any units they have served in have been involved in gross violations of human rights.

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